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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated November 29, 2006, attached please find two (2) drawing sheets (Figures 17A & 17B) for the above-referenced patent application. The drawings sheets are properly labeled in the top margin as "New Sheet" as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(d).

Respectfully submitted,

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